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## So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, Goodbye

*After 23 years, GW bids adieu to the kindly Dr. Elliott*

In the early morning hours of July 13, Hatchet honchos Editor-in-Chief Joel von Ranson and Sports Editor Rich Zack met with GW's retiring president Dr. Lloyd Elliott in his Rice Hall office. The conversation ranged from basketball to student riots, and covered most things in between. The editors of the Hatchet have long enjoyed their dealings with Dr. Elliott, he will be missed.

### What are your fondest memories of GW?

I think the occasions such as the opening of the Gelman Library, the receipt of the one millionth volume for the collections of Gelman, the time at which the confrontations of the late sixties and early seventies came to an end would have to be the times I recall.

### Is that what you would say was your lowest point as president, the period of these "confrontations?"

Yes.

### When and why did you decide it was time to retire?

Well 70 is the normal age for retirement, and I didn't want to raise any question about whether I'd be staying on.

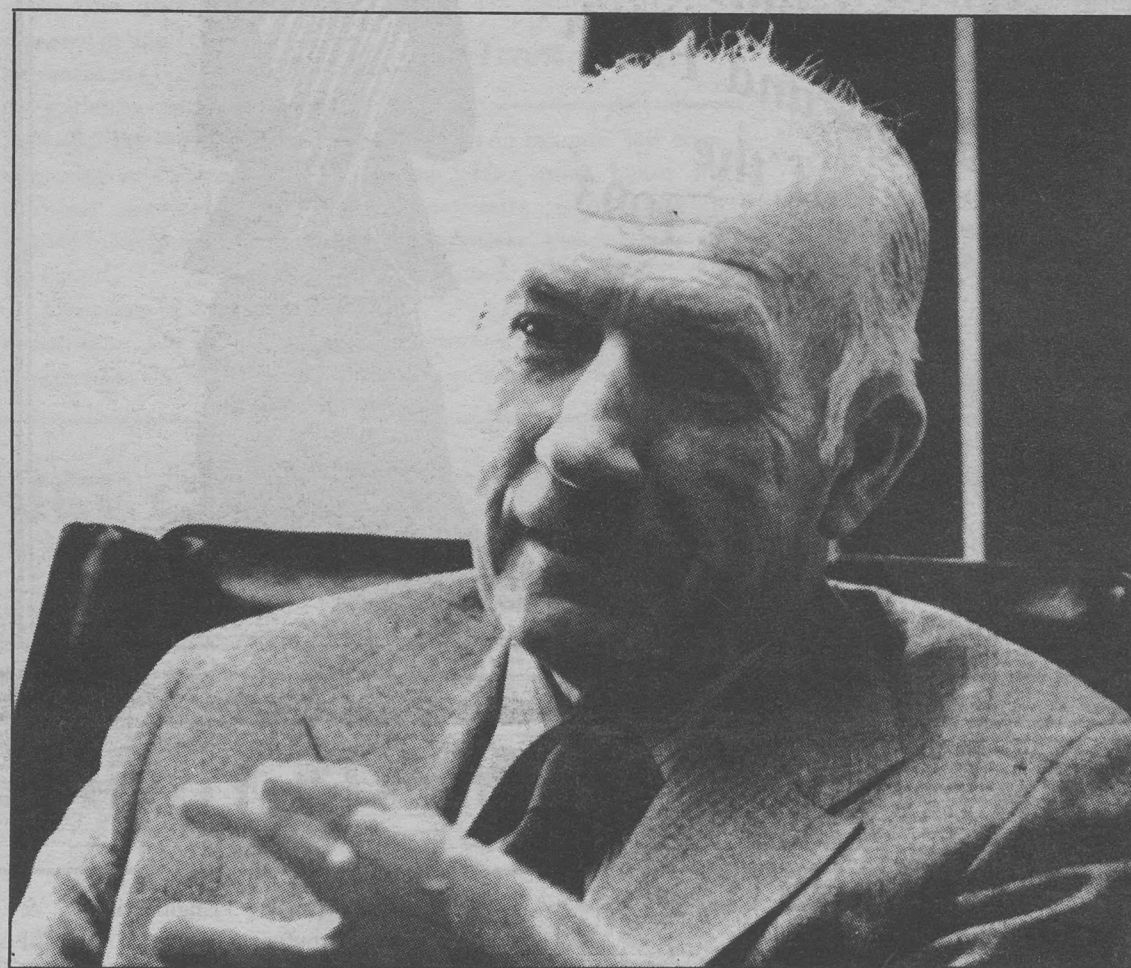
### So it was an easy decision?

Oh yes.

### If you were just starting over now, is there anything that you'd do differently?

Well, it's pretty hard to pick something out and say that was mistake number one and that was mistake number two. But I would say that I could characterize my first couple of years here of getting acquainted with all the interests and constituencies, interests of students, abilities and talents of faculty and things of that kind, and then by that time we were into the confrontations of the late 60's. I would be the first to say that for the next few years my main objective was simply a kind of damage control, a pragmatic response to what I would describe as a very serious challenge to American higher education, in which GW was a central player, and in which GW found itself kind of at the center of the storm, because of our location.

### You talk about this period of getting acquainted at the beginning of your tenure as a difficult time. Many people seem to have very high expectations about what Mr. Trachtenberg can accomplish in his first few years here, do you think they're in for a disappointment?



I wouldn't want to speculate on that kind of thing. I think everyone in the University community has a sound basis for "high expectations." I would predict that the next ten years will be a period in GW's history that is very encouraging, very strong academically, and all the things that go with it.

### What would you say are the prime issues fac-

### ing Mr. Trachtenberg as he enters this office?

Probably the most pressing one, and maybe even the most difficult one to address is GW's ability to recruit minorities, both for the student body and for the faculty, and for all other posts in the University. When we look at the supply of people for, let's say a professorship in accounting, the pool of applicants who

are minorities is so low that it's a very difficult task to recruit a reasonable, number or our share. And here we're competing with the very strongest universities in the world. The second part, recruitment of students, parallel to the first part, is I think almost entirely dependent on our ability to attract more money for financial aid. With increasing (See ELLIOTT, p.7)

## Admissions up, for good and ill

Liz Pallatto  
Associate Editor

A growing number of high school seniors have decided to accept The George Washington University's invitation to attend classes here this fall, and the invitation has been extended to more seniors than in past years.

Both the number of applicants to the University's undergraduate division and the number of accepted students who choose to commit to GW have increased significantly since last year, according to

Director of Admissions, George W.G. Stoner.

GW has traditionally experienced a higher number of applicants in the years around a presidential election, however, this year's total number of applications was more than 7,000-up five percent from last year and the highest number ever processed by GW admissions.

This year's larger pool of applicants meant the admissions office was able to be more selective. According to Michael

O'Leary, of the admissions office, the rolling admissions process has been made more selective because of last year's relatively high yield. ("Yield" is the admissions officer's term for the number of freshmen who choose to attend a school relative to the number accepted.)

The modified admissions process meant that applications were evaluated at the end of each month in a week-long session rather than as they were received in the office, the former (See ADMISSIONS, p.5)

## Surplus frosh to "rough it"

by Joel von Ranson  
Editor-in-Chief

In what is becoming an increasingly familiar sight, workmen have begun again to transform Thurston study lounges into accommodations for surplus freshmen residents.

"We ran the (housing) lottery in March with the expect-

tation that we would house 1200 freshmen and 50 transfers, and the numbers are quite different now," said Director of Housing and Residence Life Ann E. Webster. Due to what was reportedly an unintentional over-enrollment of new students, approximately 100 additional students must be (See FROSH, p.3)



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### NOTICES

Summer activities sponsored by the GW Student Activities Office continues thru July and August. Ice cream bashes, fun, music and films. Info-994-6555. Watch for times, places, dates and events.

The Wellness Resource Center sponsors Low-Impact Aerobics thru August. Info-994-6927. M-F, 1:10-2p.m. Bldg K, gym. Free

Noontime Recreation Program at the Smith Center. Info-994-6251. Available to faculty and staff. Teams are now being

formed.

Free Smoking Cessation workshops thru July and August sponsored by the Wellness Resource Center and the Medical Center. Info-994-6927. Watch for times, dates and places.

Summer Aerobic Conditioning M-F: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Smith Center, Main Arena. Free with GW ID.

Smith Center presents the Racquetball and Tennis Challenge Ladder. Info-994-6251.

### MEETINGS AND EVENTS

7/14 Student Activities Office sponsors an Ice Cream Bash with musical entertainment by "Formula". Info-994-6555. Noon-1 p.m. Marvin Center's H St. Terrace. Free.

7/14 Student Activities Office Summer Film Series presents "The Rocky Horror Picture Show". Info-994-6555. 8 p.m. Fungler Hall 103. Free.

7/14 GW Dept of

Electrical Engineering & Computer Science w/GTSI presents "Technology Solution '88", seminar featuring Ed Esber of Ashton-Tate. Info-(703) 631-3333. 9 a.m., Lisner Auditorium.

7/14 Lisner Auditorium presents "Erasure" in concert. Info-638-2008. 8 p.m. Lisner Auditorium.

7/14 Career Service Center sponsors Job Search Strategy workshop. Info-994-6496. 2-3:30 p.m. Academic Center T-509.

7/14-15 Summer Advance Registration Programs (SARIP). Info-994-6555.

7/20 Lisner at Noon free concert series presents William Feasley, guitarist. Info-994-6800. 12:15 p.m. Lisner Auditorium. Free.

7/21 Student Activities Office Summer Film Series presents "The Dead Zone". Info-994-6555. 8 p.m. Fungler Hall 103. Free.

7/26 The Student Activities Office sponsors an Ice Cream Bash with musical entertainment by "Second Story". Info-994-6555.

Noon-1p.m. Marvin Center's H St. Terrace. Free.

7/27 Lisner at Noon free concert series presents Debra Tidwell, Songs of Harold Arlen. Info-994-6800. 12:15p.m. Lisner Auditorium. Free.

7/28 Student Activities Summer Film Series presents "Harold and Maude". 8 p.m. Fungler Hall 103. Free.

7/28 Reception honoring Vice President William P. Smith, Jr. upon his retirement from the University after 33 years of service. 4 to 6 p.m. The University Club, Marvin Center, 2nd. Floor.

8/2 The Student Activities Office sponsors an Ice Cream Bash. Musical entertainment TBA. Noon-1 p.m. The Marvin Center's H St. Terrace. Free.

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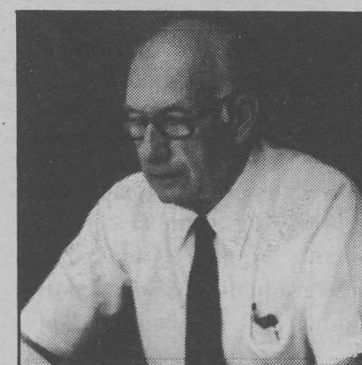
8/4 Student Activities

Office Summer Film Series presents "The Fly" (1986). Info-994-6555. Fungler Hall 103. Free.

8/10 Lisner at Noon free concert series presents Robert Fryson, Gospel Singer. Info-994-6800. 12:15 p.m. Lisner Auditorium. Free.

8/17 Lisner at Noon free concert series presents Miyuki Yoshikami, Japanese Koto Musician. Info-994-6800. 12:15 p.m. Lisner Auditorium. Free.

8/24 Lisner at Noon free concert series presents Kevin Jones, Folk Singer and Guitarist. Info-994-6800. 12:15 p.m. Lisner Auditorium. Free.





# Medical breakthrough cures gallstones through shock waves

by Raffi Terzian

A revolutionary new treatment may offer quick relief to the thousands of area resident who have gallstones. The GW Medical Center will soon begin lithotripsy treatment for patients who suffer from gallstones, according to Dr. Hans Fromm, Professor of Medicine and Director of the Division of Gastroenterology and Nutrition of the Medical Center. Fromm is an internationally recognized expert in the area of gallstone dissolution therapy.

Dr. Michael B. Albert, Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Medical Center will assist Dr. Fromm and coordinate the shockwave treatment of gallstones with the conventional gallstone dissolving agent. GW is one of the first sites in the na-

tion to employ the technique and the first in the Washington area.

"It is fitting that The George Washington University Medical Center, which has been a pioneer in medical treatment programs for gallstone dissolution, be the first site for gallstone lithotripsy," said Dr. John C. LaRosa, Dean for Clinical Affairs. Dr. LaRosa added, "We are especially pleased to be able to offer this service to the thousands of area residents who face gallstone surgery."

While one to three percent of all Americans suffer from symptoms caused by kidney stone disease, gallstones are even more common. An estimated 500,000 patients undergo gallstone surgery annually.

The technique, which utilizes shock waves to pulverize the gallstones requires no surgery

and is virtually painless. The treatment also allows the patient to receive therapy on an outpatient basis. The patient lies on a soft water cushion conducive to relaxation as shock waves are sent through the abdomen to the site of the gallstones.

Most gallstones can be eliminated with a single visit. The disintegrated fragments are then naturally removed from the body. If larger fragments remain, the technique may be repeated at a later date. After the treatment has been administered, the patient is asked to return at periodic intervals for routine screenings and check-ups. There are only minimal side effects known to be associated with the treatment.

According to Lydia Shurites, coordinator for the lithotripsy treatment at the Medical Center,

"there is currently no cost for the procedure since it is a study treatment but there are costs for pre- and post-hospital visits."

Shurites noted that "as of right now, individuals are being screened and evaluated and the first patient is expected to be treated in approximately a month."

## Frosh

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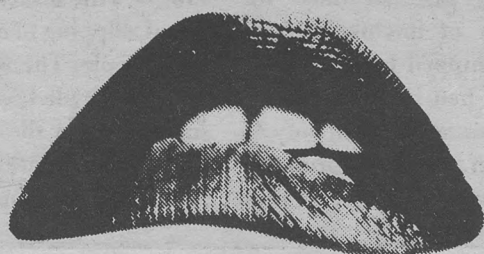
housed on campus. The housing office must honor the University policy which guarantees housing for all freshmen on campus.

Two years ago 31 freshmen were forced to live in study lounges and as sixth

roommates in rooms which normally accomodated five until other spaces could be obtained for them elsewhere in the housing system. The exact number of students who will expect housing this fall is not yet known since a small percentage of those students who sign leases or request housing never actually make it to campus. According to Webster, Thurston Hall can accomodate as many as 80 additional students through the use of study lounges and the conversion of fours into fives and fives into sixes, so most new students should have a place in the dorm.

In 1985, when GW experienced a similar housing shortage, the University purchased Riverside Towers one month before the fall semester began, to accomodate

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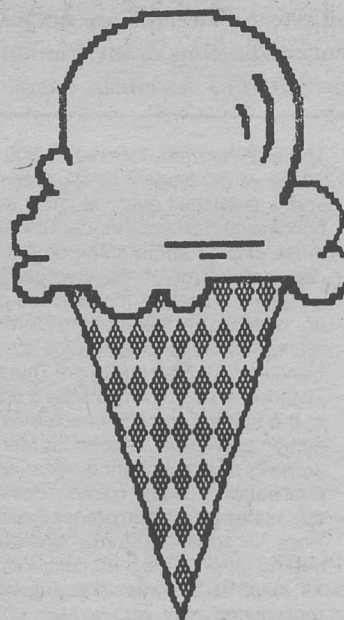


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# Editorials

## Bentsen is a good choice for Mike

Thanks Mike.

By choosing Texas senior senator Lloyd Bentsen as his running mate, presidential candidate Mike Dukakis has enhanced his already strong chance of capturing the presidency. Just as important as who he picked for his running mate, how Dukakis made his choice will also demonstrate to the American public Dukakis' ability to make decisions.

In what he says was his first presidential act, the Duke selected Bentsen, and clearly, he was picked for several important reasons. Bentsen's 22 years experience in Congress bring Dukakis a solid connection to D.C., something many felt was missing. Bentsen has a strong record of supporting civil rights, welfare, labor and he has strong ties to Wall Street and the corporate world. Bentsen is generally seen as being more moderate than Dukakis, and this should draw some votes from the middle of the road.

Also, don't forget Bentsen is from Texas, the alleged home of George Bush, [many disagree]. Bentsen as the vice presidential candidate should give Bush a real run for his money in the Lone Star state, without the 29 electoral votes of which no candidate has ever won the presidency.

For the record, the only election Bush ever lost was for the Texas senate in 1970, when he was beaten by Lloyd Bentsen. Aside from the shrewd choice of Bentsen, Dukakis' independent decision on this issue, without either Jesse Jackson or the Democratic party exerting an undue influence, show his confidence in himself and his political maturity.

Jackson may have come in second in the primaries, but it seems likely that he would have hurt the ticket more than he would have helped it, and with his penchant for high blown rhetoric and publicity on a grand scale, he could have overshadowed Dukakis during the election and even beyond. It may be hard for Jackson to swallow, but the Bentsen choice stands for more than just a vice-presidential candidate, it demonstrates pragmatism and smarts—something the presidency has been missing for some years. This may well be the first of many such decisions for Dukakis.

## Promises, promises, why do we believe?

The administration has promised for several years now to reduce the size of incoming classes. Sadly, the promise has proved to be an empty one.

A reduction in the size of the entering class would not only improve the student-faculty ratio, but also would allow the admissions office to be more selective, thereby improving the quality of students and boosting GW's national reputation.

Instead, we have an overgrown and unwieldy freshman class, a housing shortage and other strained and overextended facilities. Given that the University has a limited amount of resources, more students means there will be less to go around. In this very important sense then, more is less (to take a liberty with the old saying).

GW's relatively low student-faculty ratio is one of the most important things we have going for us. It means fewer impersonal lectures, it means more individual attention. It is an asset that should not in any way be jeopardized.

It is interesting to note that since GW receives approximately 90 percent of its income from tuition, any significant increase in the size of the class has a significant impact on the University's cash flow. Officials in the admissions office have already denied that this year's overenrollment was intentional, but given the relative frequency of such surpluses in the last few years one has to wonder....

# Letters to the editor



## Perspective on the airbus incident

For the Reagan administration to consider paying compensation to the victim's families of the downed Iranian airbus would be a grave mistake. This debate is sending a message to the international community that the United States somehow feels responsible or guilty for this awful tragedy. While the accidental death of over two hundred civilians was indeed a tragic error, it is time for the United States to stop playing punching bag for the Ayatolla and end this foolish discussion of reparations.

To begin with, unlike what the Ayatolla would like many to believe, the Vincennes was not intent on shooting at any Iranian aircraft. The American frigate

even requested the aircraft to change its course seven times. The captain decided to shoot at a plane that had refused to change course, had originated from a military base, and was transmitting military signals. The captain was left with two choices, shoot at an apparently hostile aircraft that was approaching fast, or face the possibility of having half his crew be shipped home in body bags. If I had been faced with the same situation, with only 45 seconds to decide, I probably would have launched more than two missiles.

Many have forgotten the particularly difficult situation the Vincennes was faced with at the time. Iranian gunboats were at-

tacking the frigate right before the airbus came into the area. It would have been proper for the Iranians to order all civilian aircraft away from their chosen battle area, especially since they initiated the attack to begin with. It would have made sense for the Iranians to do this, but as usual Khomeini was too consumed with attacking international shipping to care about his own people. The welfare of the Iranian people has been placed subservient to the military and political interests of the Ayatolla's government.

There is a larger issue here than the Iranian airbus incident. The United States has a large military presence in the Persian Gulf due to Iranian terrorist-like attacks on international shipping. If the Iranians would give up this assault on international trade then there would be no need for a strong U.S. presence in the Gulf, therefore no chance of innocent civilians being killed. The simple fact is that the Ayatolla Khomeini is largely to blame for this incident.

I believe that the families of the victims of the flight deserve full financial compensation for their loss. However, this compensation should be paid in full by the government of the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and not the United States, for that government is the main cause of the incident and not the United States. It is also the Ayatollah's government that should stop any further chance of another such tragedy by ceasing the illegal attacks on international shipping. I, furthermore, suggest that the Iranian regime pay reparations to the United States for the loss of the military hardware used by the Vincennes to defend itself from an apparently hostile aircraft, that had refused repeated warnings to alter its flightpath.

- Christopher Crowley

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# Opinion

## Dukakis kills two birds with one tax

George Bush has a problem with taxes. He doesn't like them.

Now, far be it from me to deny any man his hatred. I tend to find that the group of the individuals that likes taxes overlaps heavily with those who prefer rectal thermometers to the oral sort. Namely, the kind of folks you would not want to hang around with, much less vote for.

George Bush seems to think that Mike Dukakis falls into the rectal thermometer/high taxes category. His proof? Due to an unanticipated revenue shortage, the great state of Massachusetts was, until recently, experiencing

a budget shortfall of approximately \$400 million. Unlike the federal government, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is prohibited by law from running a budget deficit.

Some programs had to be cut,

*Steven M. Teles*

or new sources of revenue had to be found. In an act of sheer desperation, Gov. Dukakis lashed out at the weakest, most downtrodden minority in the state - cigarette smokers - through an increase in the state cigarette tax.

I hope this sounds as silly to you as it does to me. If you accept basic free market economics, the problem with high taxes is that they reduce consumption. If the logic works for smoking and there is every reason to assume that it does, higher taxes would reduce consumption, which works out to reduced smoking and related health problems. Although reducing smoking may not have been Dukakis' main intent it is certainly by-product. The only loser is the great tobacco industry, who would be damaged by lower cigarette sales. I'm not sure why, but my hear does not

exactly bleed for RJ Reynolds.

If you ask me, ordinary cigarette taxes are not enough. I smoke, but I certainly do not believe that your average, non-smoking American should have to pick up the bill for the health problems I invite by smoking. Folks don't have to smoke, and if they do, they should have to pay for the consequences.

And what about those consequences? Every year health problems caused by smoking cost the American taxpayer \$4.1 billion (\$3.4 billion for Medicare and \$700 million for Medicaid). If I were in control of American taxation (for your information,

I'm not), I would apply that cost directly to smokers through a surtax on cigarettes, which would go straight to the Medicare/Medicaid budget. Americans smoke about 29 billion packs of cigarettes a year. Divide that among the \$4.1 billion annual cigarette health cost, and you get a tax of about 7 cents a pack.

I dare anyone to call taxing cigarette smokers 7 cents a pack for cigarette smoking extreme. Even people who prefer oral thermometers.

*Steven M. Teles is a junior majoring in philosophy.*

## I love D.C. — it's a beautiful place

Washington, it often seems, is a difficult place to live — and still I find myself uncomfortable living anywhere else. There are too many "pabulum-pukers", as Morton Downey Jr. so kindly refers to the pseudo-intellectuals of his time. Too much shop talk. It may be news to those of you who have spent your summer so far all within the physical (and psychological) confines of the Beltway, but the fact is that the nation at large is not holding its collective breath about who George Bush is going to pick as his running mate.

The Beltway mentality was quickly illustrated to me the moment I hopped onto a train from New Jersey heading toward Union Station. A loud man on the train was holding forth about Central American policy. There was a certain recognizable emptiness to his words, a kind of attentiveness to policy — with too little thought of people, individuals — that is Washington shop talk at its worst.

Then again, what was I doing on a train to D.C. if all

that one needs for a satisfying summer is suburban New Jersey and the joy of traipsing from mall to mall, always careful to be home in time for the latest edition of the Oprah Winfrey program? Nobody forces me onto a southbound Amtrak. What is it about Washington that, once home for the summer, I sweetly reminisce about walking along the reflecting pool and how wonderfully the air conditioning works at the Hart Senate Office Building. I think of the Style section and the McLaughlin Group (do they still air that program TWICE a week on Channel 4 in D.C.? The rest of the country only runs it weekly and no one watches it anyway) and the Red Lion and the Biograph (try to find a movie theater in northern N.J. that isn't playing a film that stars Eddie Murphy or Arnold Whatshisname or Tom Hanks or a big, celluloid rabbit) and of how much I miss the fine cuisine created by SAGA.

Okay, there are things I don't miss, don't think of, can't digest when I am in Washington. But there is a pull, a desire to be in

on the great national game that's being played in Washington. Take, for instance, a very nice friend I bumped into on 21st Street the other day. She's been doing some work with a man who could wind up being chief

*Christopher Moore*

of staff in the Dukakis Administration. Now that's exciting, I said, greedily thinking of the job opportunities that could open up for her. She doesn't want a job, she explained, she just kind of likes the idea that the chief of staff will know her name. There is nothing criminal about savoring the idea that the chief of staff might know you, it's a little enjoyment the Washington life can bring if one is interested in the political intricacies of the country, and many of us are interested. Washington is the place for us.

It was also nice to go to SARP and not be a freshman. The SARP I first went to was in

the summer of 1986. A small and dangerously high-schoolish group of young women (behaving not unlike Morton Downey, as a matter of fact) made up the bulk of our 'little group'. The whole process scared the hell out of me. Sitting around discussing all of the potential nightmares of freshman living (roommate problems, academic concerns, food plan fun) gave me a slew of new worries that had never occurred to me. I got lost on my way from the Marvin Center to Roy Rogers, making unscheduled stops around the Kennedy Center area. I slept in a room with strangers, the majority of whom I never met as I went to bed early, exhausted as I was from an unintended walking tour of the East Coast.

SARP 1988 was better. Meeting freshmen, recognizing their concerns and trying — if not always succeeding — to allay their fears was important. Then there was the added benefit of seeing so many faces that I know, a surprising number of which I wanted to see. There was

the relaxation of visiting friends, just talking, and the wonderment of going to the movies at Dupont Circle (a German film, a terrible film, but a treat nonetheless) and discovering that there are places in the world that don't close at five o'clock. The lights, noises, movements and friends — mostly the friends — all seemed to be breathing together, helping me to breathe.

Back in New Jersey now, where there are the comforts of a different kind of home, the tiny benefits of Washington living come together in my mind to form an image of a lifestyle that I want desperately to be able to take wherever I am. It can't quite be done. Somehow I need Washington to help push me along. Would I really go to see German movies if I could find them in New Jersey? Probably not, as my trips to New York (the foreign flick capital of the U.S.A.) are so rare. I go to school in D.C. because I want to and I vacation there because I need to. And because I like the shop talk.

## Admissions

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method.

The reasons for the increased number of applications seem to be numerous. "It's more than just the election year," Stoner commented, "our prestige and

stature have improved over the years ... our recruitment policy has become more innovative and effective. We have personalized our relations with prospective students and alumni are just beginning to be more involved in admissions."

Of the large number of applicants, 76 percent, or 5028 were accepted this year. This is an increase of 30 students over

last year. What's more, the percentage of students accepted who have decided to attend GW has risen from 28 to 30 percent.

Stoner himself was surprised. "We (the enrollment planning committee) have more" students enrolling "than we had expected. We had wanted 1200 freshmen and 450 new student transfers." "To be honest," he added, "we were very nervous because by the

third week in April we had only received 200 commitments, an unusually low number."

However, "approximately 1380 freshman are now committed to us," Stoner said. He also commented that "there was no concerted effort to gain new freshmen students. In fact, rejections went up from 21 to 24 percent."

The official class size still is

not yet definite. "We always lose students between now and August," explained O'Leary. Stoner added that he expects an entering class of approximately 1310.

The bumper crop of applicants has had a negative impact as well. The larger-than-expected number of freshmen

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## Admissions

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has created a housing shortage that will mean overcrowding in Thurston Hall, the freshman dorm. (See related story, page 1.)

When asked if the problems caused could possibly result in a changed admissions process, O'Leary responded that, based on the trend toward a slightly higher yield in recent years, "the admissions process might be examined and perhaps modified."

Modifications in GW's admission process may work to control class size as well as further increase selectivity. Stoner explained that as GW continues to receive more applications, the Admissions Office can become more selective.

Stoner said that a "precipitous" admissions policy, where all the acceptance letters go out on the same day (usually April 15), has its advantages, in that "it can be more consistent." "We are developing a prioritized waiting list very early and not admitting borderline students

until the last minute," he explained.

Both Stoner and O'Leary stressed the quality of this year's class of freshman. "I think that even though the size (of this year's class) will be greater, quality will be higher, and I expect the mean scores to be higher," Stoner said.

"In terms of recruiting, success seems to breed success," Stoner noted. "Geographic representation is the best ever, with representatives from 45 states, although the number of enrolling international students

is down somewhat," he added. Stoner attributes this phenomenon mostly to the current political situation in the Middle East.

"Mean Scholastic Achievement Test scores should be around 570 verbal, 580 math, and higher, particularly in the School of International Affairs, where scores could be as high as 600," he concluded.

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## Frosh

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homeless students. Webster has indicated that such a development is unlikely at this juncture. She commented, "Whether or not we're going to get more housing a few years down the road is a different matter, but I hope to be able to accomodate this surplus of freshmen in-house."

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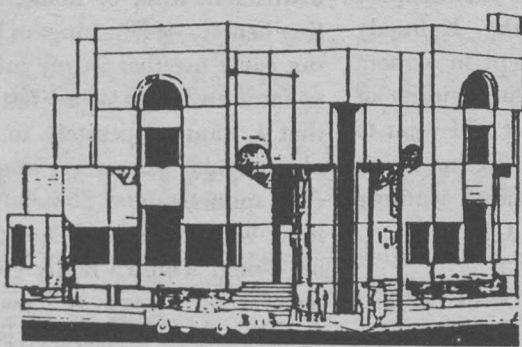
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## Elliott

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costs to produce this university, and I'd say essentially all other private institutions, we simply have to get more money to recruit students of all kinds, majorities as well as minorities, and

to convince students with talent to come to GW.

**Do you think there's anything unique about GW that makes it harder than it might be for us to attract minorities?**

No, no.

**How do you feel about the few top administrators who have**

**chosen to leave the university at the same time as you?**

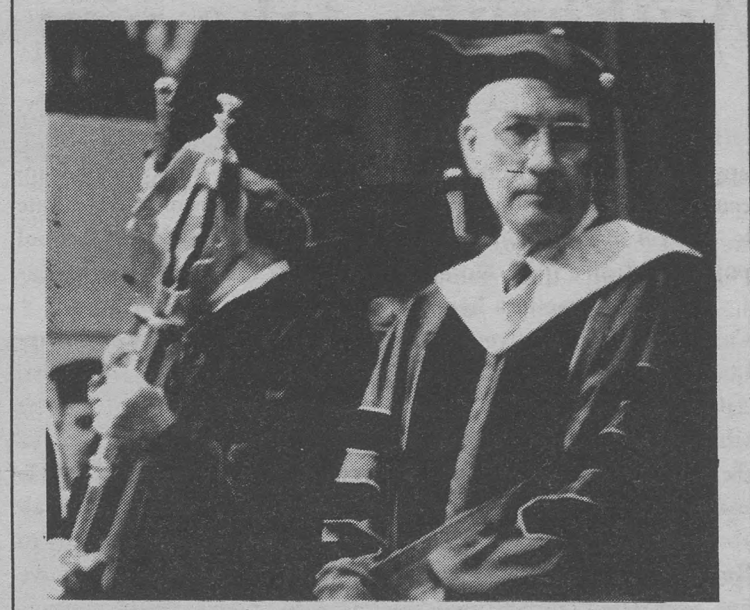
I think these are, as far as I know, all personal decisions. I don't read anything into it, other than that. I know Vice-President Smith, for example, reached a stage, he told me very clearly, where either he stopped now to finish his Ph.D. or else he would never finish it.

**What will you miss the most about being President?**

Well, this may sound kind of corny, but, it has been the interaction with people, the students, the faculty, the trustees, over 23 years, I've gotten to know a lot of them, and that certainly has been an important part of this job. And the other thing is, a long time ago, I decided I would live my life on a college campus, and I've never regretted it, in fact, I've always been really pleased about it. And while I'm not really leaving the college campus, I am technically leaving it. I'm not leaving the academic world, though. I'll still be working with researchers, geographers, educators, and all those. But as far as day to day life is concerned, it won't be on a campus.

**What will you miss the least?**

Well, coming into the garage this morning, they're doing some renovating. I'll miss the least is the noise of construction, I guess.



It's a mixed blessing, you know, it means things are going on but ... there's a quotation I attribute to a friend of mine, he says that with just a little planning, you can keep a campus going up all the time. (laughter)

**Do you have any comment on the new President's residence the university is buying for Mr. Tractenberg?**

No.

**Given that there are many who think that a winning basketball team could help GW as a whole school, do you think we should reconsider our academic standards for athletes?**

I have a serious collision in values when someone suggests that we should lower academic

standards in order to get a new thing, to get great athletes, to get, let's say beauty contest winners, ... an institution can accept applicants who fall within the boundaries of the bottom to top, but when you go below the bottom cut-off point, that's what I'm talking about. Some schools use expensive programs and tutoring and hand-holding ... these people are guided around anything that is really challenging

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# Authorities take aim at college newspapers

LOS ANGELES, CA. (CPS): Officials at still another campus appear to be trying to use a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling to control what their student paper publishes more closely.

The issue came to a head at California State University at Los Angeles (CSULA) with the April 19 firing of Joan Zyda, who had been the publisher of the University Times, CSUCLA's campus newspaper.

University spokeswoman Ruth Goldway confirmed Zyda has been fired, but refused to discuss how the officials apparently are trying to make sure the Times qualifies as a "journalism lab" newspaper.

By doing so, it would con-

form more closely to a January, 1988, U.S. Supreme Court decision that said high school principals could censor and regulate what goes into their school papers if the papers are run as for-credit journalism labs.

Though the Justices in approving Hazlewood (Missouri) High School Principal Robert Reynolds' refusal to let his school paper publish an article about teen pregnancy specifically said the case doesn't apply to colleges, several colleges have tried to muzzle their campus papers in recent weeks.

Officials at Pima Community College in Arizona, Chatman College in California, San Jacinto in Texas and Western Ken-

tucky University have tried to censor or halt student papers and productions typically referring directly or indirectly to the Hazlewood decision as the legal justification.

At CSULA, Goldway called the issue a "personal matter," and refused to comment further about Zyda's demotion and subsequent firing.

Times Editor Peggy Taormina, however, said the controversy stems from a 1987 edition of the paper reporting the death of a CSULA student in a campus building during an earthquake.

The student's parents eventually sued CSULA, claiming it was negligent in not making the

building earthquake-proof.

CSULA administrators, in Taormina's view, wanted the University Times to moderate its coverage to protect the school from liability in the case.

Upon appealing to the Society of Professional Journalists/Sigma Delta Chi for advice in trying to protect Zyda's position, Taormina recalls SPJ/SDX President Jim Plant saying, "You're being Hazlewooded."

Taormina contends CSULA officials have asked the nineteen-campus Cal State system's lawyer to see if Hazlewood's provision would apply to CSULA.

CSU General Counsel Meyer Chapman's office would not comment on whether or not it is considering the issue.

## Honors from p.12

that 56 women athletes received at least a 3.0 grade point average this past semester, thereby making the Women's Athletic Department Dean's List. Seventeen of them also made Dean's List in their respective schools.

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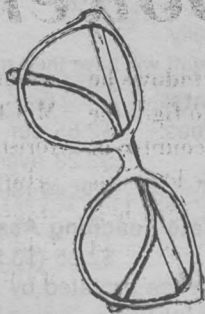
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# Arts and Music

## A survey of summer music, Plant to Prince

by Mark Vane

This summer's drought is not only to be found in the farmland, it has also extended to your local record store. The crop of new music releases is even weaker than the fare offered at your local movie house, where *Big* and *Who Framed Roger Rabbit* are the only keepers.

Before I get to the music of the summer, I must mention two albums that were released while we were in school last year, as yet unmentioned in the pages of *The GW Hatchet*. Boxed multi-album sets such as Bob Dylan's *Biograph* or Bruce Springsteen's *Live 1975-85* have been released and become popular as they spotlight the artist's career. The third set to be released, Eric Clapton's *Crossroads*, is by far the most telling of these sets. Here, through live numbers,

alternative versions and previously unreleased cuts we see the many phases of the first guitar hero. Most importantly, we see them in chronological order, charting Clapton's evolution. From the sketchy guitar work on the Yardbirds' "*Boom Boom*," through Cream's classics, to his more recent pop work, the entire career of one of rock's geniuses can be seen all at once.

Highlighting this collection are several unreleased Derek and the Dominos tracks, including a reworking of Howling Wolf's "Evil" and the Clapton original "Got to Get Better in a Little While," where he sings, "The suns got to shine/ on my guitar someday." This album is a must buy for any true rock fan. The high price tag for the six albums and tapes or four disks seems more reasonable when you consider the money you are saving

by not buying new releases this summer.

I must also mention Robert Plant's *Now and Zen* for its single "Tall Cool One," a great song on what is otherwise an uninspiring album. Save yourself the hassle, buy the single.

Neil Young is back with *This Note's for You*, where this time the schizophrenic musician is joined by The Bluenotes, a brash Ramada Room-style band with a full horn section. "Ten Men Working" made it on the radio for a short while, and along with the seedy Coup de Ville this album is good the first time through, but its horn section novelty wears off and is already lost in the back of my record collection.

I was looking forward to the release of *The Story of the Clash Vol. I*, a best-of collection from this important band. The artists originally wanted to be true to their music and even had their records sold at lower list prices than other artists to help their fans. I'm not sure what happened or how this record was released, but it is a disgrace considering what The Clash once stood for. The album contains all previously released material, stacked in a new order. How can anyone justify buying this double-album for 12 bucks



Bob Dylan

when they could buy each Clash album for best buy prices, starting at 3.99. This release is not a good last impression from this band which seems to have become what it was trying to avoid.

*Down in the Groove* is the latest from Bob Dylan. This album which was kept in dry storage by CBS for several months is his first since the dismal *Knocked Out Loaded* of 1986. I cannot say I recommend this album to everyone, but hardcore Dylan fans and other serious listeners may enjoy it. "Let's Stick Together" and "Had a Dream About You Baby" are rockers in the classic Dylan style. The first single, "Silvio" has Bob backed by The Grateful Dead and rolls along in good way. These, along with "Sally Sue Brown" and "Ugliest Girl in the World" are the only high points

of *Down in the Groove*; the rest of the album falls flat. "Death is Not the End," left over from the 1982 *Infidels* sessions, "When Did You Leave Heaven," and "90 Miles an Hour (Down a Dead End Street)" are some of the worst I've ever heard Bob perform. This ends up raising the question; does Dylan still have it or not? I'll tell you after I see his concert in Chicago.

Sorry, I can't tell you much about Stevie Winwood's *Roll With It* aside from the catchy title track.

Besides these records, I cannot leave out Prince's *Lovesexy*, Elton John's new one, whatever it's called, and Run DMC's *Tougher Than Leather*, all are much-hyped new releases by big acts, yet none have taken off in sales or with the critics.

Well, at least I have my old records.



Eric Clapton

## Willis shows his staying power in "Die Hard"

By Richie Stiffel

Hatchet Staff Writer

When I saw that Bruce Willis was starring in another movie, I thought to myself, "when is this guy going to give up?" After *Blind Date* and that other movie he made with James Garner, you might think that Willis would stick to television. Needless to say I went to see his latest movie, *Die Hard*, with some strong reservations. What I expected was another two hours of banal dialogue and bad jokes. What I saw was a different matter entirely.

In *Die Hard* Willis plays John McClane, a New York cop visiting his family in Los Angeles for Christmas, in hopes of repairing his broken marriage. While at a Christmas Eve

party at his wife's office, the building is surrounded and guests are taken hostage by a group of terrorists. McClane escapes capture, and the rest of the movie is devoted to his game of cat-and-mouse with the terrorists. In the end, the terrorists are dead, the building is destroyed, and McClane and his wife are reunited. Just another Christmas in Los Angeles?

Not really. This film was surprisingly good. Although the role was not really a stretch for Willis, he makes John McClane a believable character. The audience feels for him as he is thrust into a series of deadly encounters with the terrorists. Unlike Rambo, McClane is not superhuman. When he gets shot he hurts, and when he smashes

through plate glass windows he bleeds. He continues to fight the terrorists, not for his country or money, but because he loves his wife and he wants to save her.

This movie is also good because it is pure action. Once the terrorists enter the building, there is nonstop tension and anticipation of what will happen next. The director was able to create the action, not with elaborate stunts (although there are a few of those), but instead with closeup camera angles of the actors. Fear, anger, and desperation are evident in the faces of the characters as they chase each other through the forty-story corporate fortress of the Takanome Corporation.

The humor in this movie is well integrated, and it keeps the

action evenly paced. Even when McClane is being chased by terrorists with "enough plastique to orbit Schwarzenegger," he still stops to look at a nude centerfold posted on one of the walls. Willis' jokes are always tongue in cheek, and they tend to mitigate the often excessive violence. The supporting cast is also a great source of entertainment. Hans, leader of the terrorists, while deathly serious in his intentions, is always good for a laugh. Perpetually arrogant, his remarks make him a delightful villain and an excellent counterpart to Willis. Argyle, Willis' company-hired limousine driver is also a source of comic relief. While Willis is engaged in a firefight with the terrorists, Argyle sits in the car

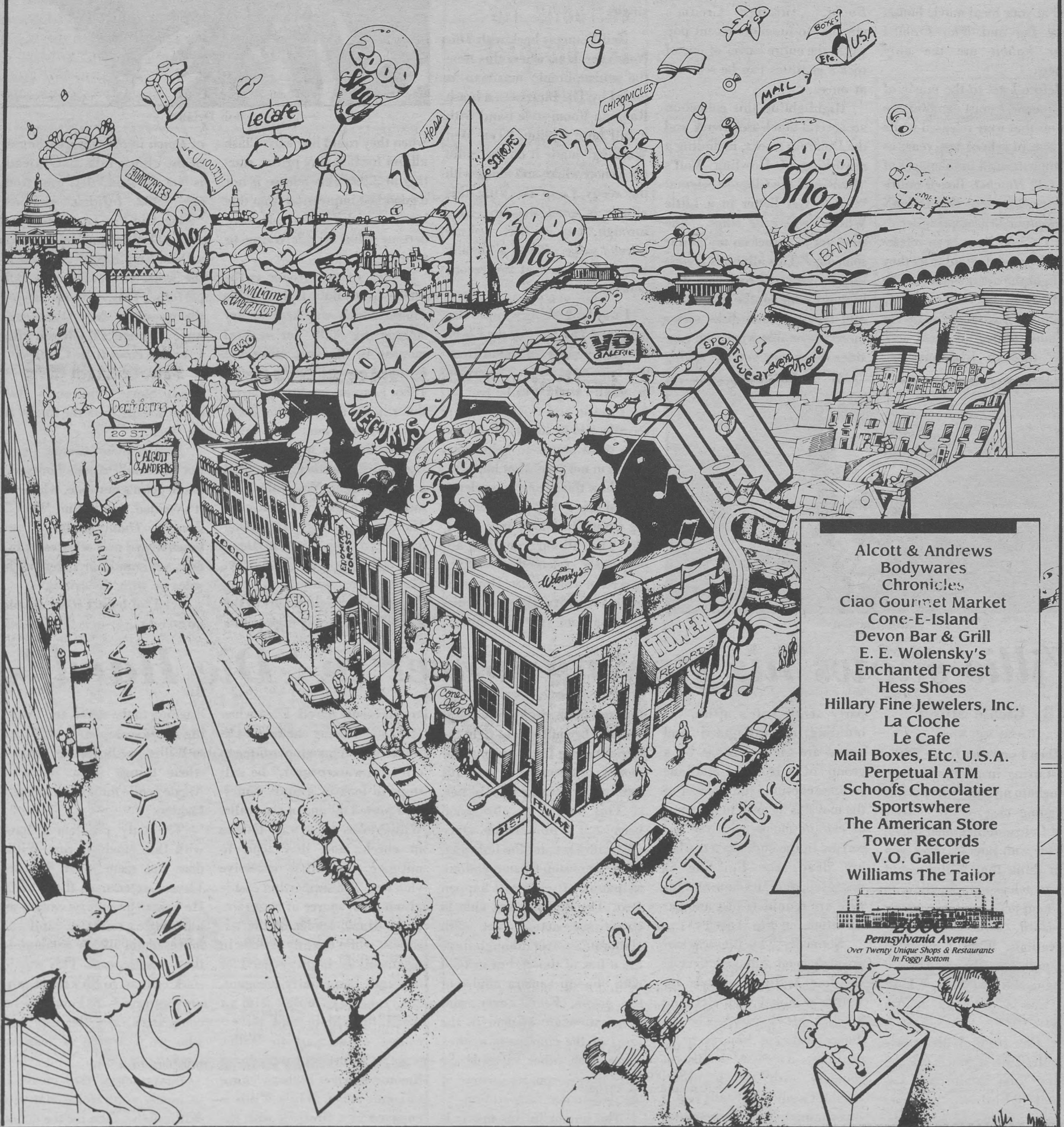
listening to the stereo and drinking booze, completely oblivious to Willis' predicament. Yet just when things seem hopeless, Argyle comes through in a timely fashion.

The only problem I have with this movie is that Willis does not seem much like an 11-year veteran of the NYPD. He has no accent, he carries an automatic weapon, and he moves more like a commando than a policeman. This was in stark contrast to LA's finest, who are portrayed as bungling incompetents, and the FBI men who are portrayed as heartless machines.

Nevertheless, this movie is definitely worth seeing, if not for Willis alone, then for the action and humor.



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# Sports



GW's new women's basketball coach Jennifer Bednarek

## Bednarek to coach women Iowa assistant will replace Makowski

Richard J. Zack

Sports Editor

When GW head women's basketball coach Linda Makowski resigned this past April to pursue other educational goals, she left some big shoes to fill. Former University of Iowa assistant basketball coach Jennifer Bednarek hopes to be able to fill those shoes.

Bednarek was named the new head coach on June 30 after an extensive national search that included over 70 applicants, of which five were given second interviews. Those names were not released.

Since 1983, when Bednarek joined Iowa coach Vivian Stringer's staff, she helped lead the Hawkeyes to three National Collegiate Athletic Association Championship Tournament bids and a Big Ten Conference title in 1987-88.

In 1980 Bednarek graduated from Penn State where she was

the first player to score 1,000 career points. She was also a two-time All-America honoree.

Bednarek may face some adverse circumstances at GW, having to replace a winning coach who posted GW's best-ever record (18-10) and has only one senior and two juniors on her squad. Gloria Murphy, Kas Allen, and Ann Male were all lost to graduation and Bednarek will see the faces of five freshmen she did not recruit.

GW Women's Athletic Director Mary Jo Warner said she believes Bednarek can overcome these potential obstacles. "She knows what it's like to build a program from the ground up," Warner said. "They (Iowa) ended up seventh... they probably should have made it to the Final Four. They were number one for ten weeks during the season."

Warner is also optimistic about Bednarek's abilities to achieve some immediate success.

"I'm pretty confident we can have a winning season," she said. "We don't expect her to win the NCAA's. She'll have time to develop the team."

Stringer also has confidence her former assistant will be able to fill Makowski's shoes. "Jennifer Bednarek is a person of vision. I doubt that many people know the impact she has had on the Iowa program," she said. "I can say without question that she will do an outstanding job at George Washington."

Bednarek is looking forward to GW and puts a premium on post-season play. "George Washington is a very prestigious institution, well-respected for its academics. In recent years the women's basketball program has become quite successful," Bednarek said. "I am building upon this success. With this support, we will be striving for the realistic goals of competing for the Atlantic Ten Championship and an NCAA berth."

## Volleyball assistant chosen

Richard J. Zack

Sports Editor

The GW Women's Athletic Department recently announced that former University of North Carolina volleyball assistant coach Kevin Kirk will be the new assistant volleyball coach at GW. He will immediately assume the position vacated by David Barkley who left after this past season to become head coach at Villanova University.

Kirk is a 1984 graduate of UNC and has coached at the United States Volleyball Association, junior as well as the collegiate level. He has served as the head coach for a team at the

USVBA Junior Olympics and served as an assistant venue coordinator at the 1987 Olympic Festival.

"Aside from the urban setting, George Washington and UNC are very similar... academically they are somewhat alike," Kirk said. "I've always been really up with GW. I've coached some of the girls on the team now... so I'm pretty familiar with the team."

Head coach Cindy Laughlin finished her first season with a 17-15 mark and Kirk is looking forward to working with her. "She's very energetic, very organized," he said. "She seems to be really dedicated to

building her program."

The team returns seven players who have started in the past, losing only one to graduation, and had a strong finish last season after a 1-7 start. "It's a good sign of things to come with the strong finish..." he said. "We've got a tough schedule to start, so improvement might not show up in the record right away."

Kirk also hopes to be involved in all aspects of the Colonial volleyball team. "My responsibilities haven't been completely defined, but I hope to assist in all areas of the program. There's no part of the program that I won't be involved in," he added.

### GW MEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE - 1988

<b>Sept.</b>				
Mon. 5	*Penn State University	H	3:00 pm	
Wed. 7	Georgetown University	H	3:00 pm	
Sat. 10	Fresno (Gold Rush Classic)	A	8:00 pm	
Sun. 11	Stanford (Gold Rush Classic)	N	2:00 pm	
Wed. 14	Navy	A	3:00 pm	
Sat. 17	Coastal Carolina (ESU - Tournament)	N	1:00 pm	
Sun. 18	ESU/Alabama A&M (ESU - Tournament)	N	TBA	
Wed. 21	George Mason University	H	3:00 pm	
Sat. 24	*W. Virginia University	A	2:00 pm	
Fri. 30	Evansville (Invitational)	A	8:00 pm	
<b>Oct.</b>				
Sat. 1	Indiana (Invitational)	N	6:00 pm	
Wed. 5	American	H	3:00 pm	
Sun. 9	UNC Greenboro	A	2:00 pm	
Wed. 12	Maryland	A	3:00 pm	
Wed. 19	William and Mary	H	3:00 pm	
Sat. 22	UMBC	A	2:00 pm	
Sun. 23	Richmond	H	3:00 pm	
Sat. 29	*St. Bonaventure	A	2:00 pm	
<b>Nov.</b>				
Fri.-Sun. 4-6	Atlantic Ten Championships		TBA	

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\* = Atlantic 10 Games

## Colonial athletes cop academic honors

Richard J. Zack

Sports Editor

With all the talk these days about Proposition 48 and student athletes losing scholarships for academic reasons, many consider it a pleasant surprise when the University still is able to have exceptional student athletes.

Proposition 48 is a National

Collegiate Athletic Association regulation that prohibits student athletes from participating in intercollegiate athletics unless they meet minimum admission requirements during their freshman year.

GW's student athletes have not been stung by the Proposition 48 bug and many have been very successful with their studies. Five Colonial women have been

recognized by the Atlantic Ten Conference for exceptional scholarship. GW graduate and basketball player Kas Allen was named to the Atlantic 10 Academic All-Conference Team after being given honorable mention in 1986-87.

Graduate Ann Male, also a former basketball player was named to the same first team as she received honorable mention

twice before. She will attend the University of Virginia Medical School this fall.

Junior guard, Karin Vadelund received honors for the second time - this time being named to the Academic All-Conference Team - as she received honorable mention her freshman season.

Two sophomores also were given honorable mention, gym-

nast Beth Schueler and Lisa Geczik.

GW's baseball team received academic recognition as graduate Joe Knorr was named to the A-10 Academic All-Conference Team, the Colonial men's sole representative on the squad.

The Colonial Women's Athletic Department announced (See HONORS, p.8)